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SUPER SIRE SAVABEEL

Leading NZ Sire and 3YO sire Savabeel has sired 14 individual winners, including 2 Stakes winners in the past 7 days.

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Last weekend's Wellesley Stakes winner Exuberant on his way to the Karaka sale ring with WS Yearling Manager Jaimee Gowler earlier this year
Photo Credit: Sharon Lee Chapman

STUD RESIDENTS ROLLING OUT THE WINNERS

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The progeny of Waikato Stud stallions are enjoying widespread success across Australasia and in Asia.

Since last Friday, Savabeel has produced fourteen winners, four for O'Reilly, a pair for Ocean Park and Pins and Rock 'n' Pop have also been on the board.

Among Savabeel's were the impressive wins from Exuberant, Queen Leonora, Fratello and The Chosen One.

The former was bred and sold by Waikato Stud at the 2018 Karaka Book One Sale and was a juvenile stakes winner on debut at Trentham in the Listed Wellesley Stakes last weekend.

Equally encouraging was Fratello, whose brother Prince Jabeel won at Ellerslie, was victorious at the first time of asking at Pukekohe Park.

The Chosen One remains unbeaten in two appearances following his Listed Zacinto Stakes triumph at Riccarton.

He is now a confirmed runner in this month's Gr.1 New Zealand 2000 Guineas.

A smart winner for O'Reilly at Pukekohe was Vernanme, a lightly-tried brother to the dual Group One

winner Shamrock.

Torgersen was a star for Pins when he hit the jackpot at Randwick on Saturday.

He has now won six races and is a multiple black type placegetter.



BELOW / Exuberant
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IMPRESSIVE FIRST-UP BLACK TYPE STRIKE FOR SAVABEEL COLT

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Go Racing's Albert Bosma would have been cheering from afar on Saturday when Exuberant made a flying start to his career.

Currently in England for the Tattersalls Sale, he purchased the Savabeel colt out of Waikato Stud's Book One draft at Karaka for \$160,000.

Exuberant was a trial winner for trainer Stephen Marsh ahead of his debut victory in the Listed Wellesley Stakes at Trentham.

"To do that at his first start in a Listed race shows he's a pretty classy animal," Marsh's racing manager

Todd Pollard said.

"He's a lovely looking 2-year-old, not overly big, but he's a beautiful horse.

Exuberant was ridden close to the pace by Jason Waddell and finished willingly in the straight for an impressive victory.

The colt is out of the O'Reilly mare Merrily, whose half-sister Glad was a black type winner

Also taking pride of place on the pedigree page is the unbeaten champion sprinter Black Caviar.



BELOW / Exuberant
Photo Credit: Race Images
Photos



GUINEAS HOPES BOOSTED FOLLOWING STAKES WIN

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The Chosen One, a gifted son of Savabeel, is right on target for a Group One assignment.

He led all the way to win last weekend's Listed Zacinto Stakes at Riccarton in a canter

The classy colt was successful on debut at Waverley and had no trouble bridging the gap to black type company.

The Chosen One was ridden by Matt Cameron for Murray Baker and Andrew Forsman.

The three-year-old will now put his unbeaten record on the line in the Gr.1 New Zealand 2000 Guineas.

The Chosen One is a member of the Dennis brothers' successful family,

which includes the Group One winning brothers The Phantom and The Phantom Chance

The colt is raced by his breeders after failing to meet his reserve at Karaka.



BELOW / The Chosen One
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REGALLY-BRED MARE WINS AT GEELONG

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A Group One pedigree was to the fore for Waikato Stud at Geelong on Thursday.

Queen Leonora struck for the second time in her brief career when victorious over 1500 metres.

The four-year-old is trained for the Matamata nursery by long-time friend and supporter Danny O'Brien.

By Savabeel, Queen Leonora is from one of the farm's most successful families.

The mare is out of the O'Reilly mare

Lego, a sister to the stakes winner Wolfwhistle.

She is also a three-quarter sister to the Gr.1 WATC Derby winner Guyno.

Their dam is the Gr.1 Kelt Capital Stakes and Gr.1 New Zealand Oaks winner Legs.

The pedigree also features the Gr.1 New Zealand 2000 Guineas winner Xtravagant.



BELOW / Queen Leonora
Photo Credit: Brett Holburt/
Racing Photos



HONG KONG SUCCESS FOR OCEAN PARK

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Clement Legend appreciated the step up to a middle distance to break his Hong Kong duck.

Runner-up at Sha Tin at his previous appearance, the four-year-old broke through over 2200 metres at Happy Valley on Sunday night.

A \$180,000 Karaka yearling purchase for Raffles Racing, he is a son of Ocean Park and the Montjeu mare Spiriting.

The dam is a half-sister to the Gr.3 Kingston Town Stakes winner Just Polite and the Gr.1 VRC Oaks placegetter Savsbelle.

They hail from a family that is deep on North American stakes winners.



BELOW / Clement Legend's
sire Ocean Park
Photo Credit: Trish Dunell

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MARE ROCKS AT TRENTHAM

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Rock 'n' Pop's daughter Rock 'n' Affair is repaying the patience invested in her and she looks set to make her mark in good company.

The four-year-old beat stakes winner Gift Of Power at Trentham on Saturday to post her third win in five appearances.

"It was a good effort and I've always rated her, she's by a good Waikato Stud stallion," trainer Kevin Gray said.

"I've got a lot of time for this mare and Howard Forbes has been a very good owner of mine."

Courtesy of a canny ride by Tony Allan, Rock 'n' Affair settled in the trail from a wide gate.

When Allan popped her out in the straight she finished determinedly for

an impressive win.

She is a daughter of Stravinskys Affair, the winner of four races from Gray's stable.



BELOW / Rock 'n' Affair
Photo Credit: Race Images
Photo

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STAFF PROFILE

KENNEDY BEAUMONT

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She's hooked on all things yearlings and can't wait to see how this year's youngsters progress towards Karaka. Meet Kennedy Beaumont, a member of our yearling prep team.

Q What is your role at Waikato Stud and what are some of your main responsibilities?

A I'm part of the yearling team and my focus is on ensuring the horses are happy and healthy every day. I help our Yearling Manager Jaimee with the horse duties when she isn't around or is doing other things.

Q What do you most enjoy about working in the thoroughbred breeding industry?

A Before I came to Waikato Stud I thought I was more interested in the foal/broodmare side of the stud but I definitely enjoy working with the yearlings the most. I really enjoy watching the yearlings grow and learn new things, especially when they were still weanlings. I'm excited to see the end result of this

year's yearlings at the end of prep.

Q How do you explain what you do for a job to a non-horsey person?

A I tell them that I get horses ready for sale time.

Q What do you enjoy doing in your spare time?

A Socialising with my friends and going to the gym.

Q What is the craziest thing you've ever done?

A I went skydiving when I was about 13 or 14.

Q What are you watching on Netflix at the moment?

A Peaky Blinders!

Q What would you consider to be your greatest achievement?

A Probably just the exciting things I have to look forward to in the future but haven't quite achieved yet with Waikato Stud – with the senior staff team helping and guiding me along the way.

Q What are you most looking forward to over the next 6 months?

A Yearling prep definitely, ending with Karaka Sales and seeing all the horses in their final stage before they leave us! Also, I'm planning on going overseas to work for a couple of months next year – which will be exciting (but I'll be back).



LEFT / Kennedy Beaumont

The *anatomy* of

Tivaci's First Foals

Tivaci – by *High Chaparral*, from *Breccia*

SERVICE FEE: \$20,000+gst

Strong, robust hindquarter

Just like his super sprinter/miler sire who won four Stakes races between 1000m – 1600m, including the G1 All Aged Stakes

Powerful shoulders

Critical for elongated stride length

Well balanced

For optimised efficiency



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Watch Tivaci's
first foals in motion

Image: Tivaci colt from Miss Lioness

A TRIP DOWN MEMORY LANE – SANGSTER'S VRC DERBY WIN

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As always, Derby Day at Flemington 2011 was a great day's racing.

Story by Jeremy Rogers

French import Glass Harmonium led all the way in the MacKinnon Stakes, glamour colt Sepoy claimed the Coolmore, brilliant filly Atlantic Jewel won the Wakeful and Galileo gelding Niwot raced his way into the Melbourne Cup by winning the Lexus Stakes. It also saw the emergence of Savabeel as a Champion Sire with his son Sangster winning the main race of the day – the Victoria Derby.

Born in 2008, he was bred by Clyde and Pat Buckingham who decided to send their imported Irish bred Spectrum mare Quinta Special to the young Cox Plate winner Savabeel, whom they had a share in. They tried to sell him in January but he didn't meet his reserve. He returned to Karaka in November and was sold for \$19,000 at the Ready To Run Sale to a then young Cambridge trainer Trent Busuttin, who was just starting

out. Selling him to a few of his clients, he was called Sangster after the leviathan European racehorse owner Robert Sangster.

It wasn't long before he started to show that he was going to be a very good buy. After winning a trial at Te Awamutu within six months of being purchased, he made his debut on a 'Heavy 10' at Hawera at the end of May. Starting as a short-priced favourite, he bolted in by just under seven lengths. On the back of this performance, he started favourite in the Listed Castletown Stakes but couldn't replicate his debut performance, finishing down the track.

Given a let-up, Busuttin and his connections set about a very ambitious plan to bypass the Spring 3YO races in New Zealand and targeted him towards the \$1.5 million Group 1 Victoria Derby. He resumed at the Te Teko trials a couple of days into his three-year-old career with James McDonald on board. James was so impressed that he travelled to Sydney to partner him in a Benchmark race at Warwick Farm. Again on a heavy track, he proved too good over 1200m.

Stepping up to Stakes class in the Listed Ming Dynasty, he just failed to beat Ambidexter over 1400m before finishing out a place behind fellow Savabeel gelding Strike The Stars in the Gloaming Stakes. With star Kiwi hoop James McDonald going back aboard, he finished a very creditable 3rd in the Group 1 Spring Champion Stakes at his next start. Sent down to Melbourne, he was beaten a long head by Sabrage in the Group 2 Norman Robinson Stakes on Caulfield Cup Day.

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BELOW / Sangster after winning the VRC Derby at Flemington



A TRIP DOWN MEMORY LANE – SANGSTER'S VRC DERBY WIN (CONT'D)

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Two weeks later Hugh Bowman, who had won the Derby a year earlier on fellow New Zealand trained colt Lion Tamer was booked for the ride. He travelled very well throughout the race, settling around midfield and improving his position coming to the turn. Once in the straight Hugh gave him his head and he went for home and although he was getting tired on the line, he still had his head in front when reaching the famous Flemington Winning Post.

Within twelve months Sangster had gone from a 'cheap' buy at the Ready To Run Sale to Group 1 glory at Flemington. Immediately sent for a spell, he was then targeted at

the ATC Derby at Randwick in April. His Autumn campaign didn't reach expectations with the only glimpse of form coming in the Group 2 Alister Clarke Stakes when finishing third. He was given a good spell after finishing unplaced in the Derby.

Returning in the December of his four-year-old career, he was unlucky in his first two runs over 1400m and 1600m. He showed he was getting back to his best with a courageous second to Waikato Stud mare Glad in the Listed Anniversary Handicap at Trentham. Following this run, he was set for the Group 1 International Stakes over 2000m at Te Rapa. Ridden by Opie Bosson,

he knuckled at the start but quickly picked himself up, going forward and settling on the speed. Once in the straight, he quickly took the lead, going on for a convincing win.

He then went to the Group 2 Avondale Cup over 2400m at Ellerslie and won just as easily. Following this win, he was installed a very short-priced favourite for the \$500,000 Group 1 Auckland Cup. Drawing the inside barrier, he began very well and Opie Bosson was able to give him the run of the race just behind the leaders. He cruised to the lead coming around the turn before dashing away for a very comfortable victory.

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BELOW / Sangster



A TRIP DOWN MEMORY LANE – SANGSTER'S VRC DERBY WIN (CONT'D)

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This was to be his last win. He travelled across the Tasman a couple more times resulting in placings in the \$2 million Group 1 The BMW and Group 3 JRA Cup at Moonee Valley and retired following an unplaced run in the Herbert Power Stakes at Caulfield.

At the end of his career, Trent's \$19,000 'cheapie' had amassed six wins and an excess of \$2 million in prize money. With the Ready To Run Sale at Karaka just around the corner, there are 18 Savabeel's catalogued – there may just be another Sangster amongst them!



BELOW / Sangster



WS SIRED STAKES RUNNERS WITH JEREMY ROGERS

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Derby Day at Flemington is generally regarded as the best day's racing of the year with four Group 1 races – the best 3YO stayers in the \$2 million Victoria Derby, the best 3YO sprinters in the Coolmore Classic, the best mares in Australia clash in the renamed Empire Rose Stakes and the best milers in the Kennedy Mile. Added to this is the Group 3 Lexus Stakes which is a last-ditch effort for the winner to sneak into the Melbourne Cup on Tuesday.

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 3

SHILLELAGH

Savabeel – Trocair

Gr.1 Empire Rose Stakes, 1600m
Flemington, 5:05 pm (NZT)

SAVVY OAK

Savabeel - Fairy Oak

Gr.1 VRC Derby, 2500m
Flemington, 5:50 pm (NZT)

KAONIC (emergency)

Savabeel - Fast Love

Gr.1 Kennedy Mile, 1600m
Flemington, 6:35 pm (NZT)



BLACK TYPE SPOTLIGHT WITH JEREMY ROGERS

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SAVVY OAK GROUP 1 VRC DERBY



Savvy Oak / By Savabeel, from Fairy Oak

He hit the line strongly last week, recording the best late sectionals of the race and looks a good chance in the Group 1 Victoria Derby. The son of Savabeel should appreciate the step up to 2500m and a win would give his trainers Trent Busuttin and Natalie Young their second success in the race, having won in 2011 with fellow Savabeel gelding Sangster.

SHILLELAGH GROUP 1 EMPIRE ROSE STAKES



Shillelagh / By Savabeel, from Trocair

She won her Group 1 at the corresponding meeting last year in the Cantala Stakes (now Kennedy Mile) and takes her place in the Group 1 Empire Rose Stakes. All three runs this preparation have been very good, finishing fourth on each occasion and she should appreciate dropping back to mares grade. James McDonald takes the ride on the seven-year-old Savabeel mare and she should get every chance in the running.

KAONIC GROUP 1 KENNEDY MILE



Kaonic / By Savabeel, from Fast Love

The exciting four-year-old son of Savabeel is going to need plenty of luck in the Group 1 Kennedy Mile. Apart from needing four scratchings, the Chris Waller-trained entire has drawn barrier 18. Should he gain a start, he will be ridden quietly from the wide barrier and have him doing his best work over the concluding stages. With no weight on his back, he could sneak into the money.

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Sire of 17 Individual Group One Winners

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OCEAN PARK

Champion NZ Based AUS Second Season Sire

SERVICE FEE: \$30,000+GST LFG

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SACRED FALLS

Leading First Season Sire at Karaka in 2018

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TIVACI

Group One Winning Sprinter/Miler

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Multiple Stakes Producer

SERVICE FEE: \$9,000+GST LFG

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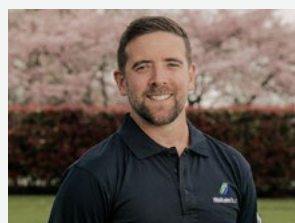
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The *anatomy* of a
GROUP ONE WINNING
SON OF FASTNET ROCK

Rock'n'Pop

SERVICE FEE: \$9,000+gst LFG

Million dollar looks

A \$1 million Karaka Sale topper, he was one good looking yearling and has let down into a magnificent stallion

Strong, well-rounded back end

A prominent feature seen in his multiple winners and Stakes performers in four different countries

The ultimate blueblood

By champion sire Fastnet Rock, his dam Popsy, by Sir Tristram was a dual Group One winner

Muscular, athletic frame

The perfect asset for stamina and speed. As a three-year-old, he won the Group One NZ 2000 Guineas and Listed Karaka Mile over 1600m and was runner-up in the Group One NZ Derby over 2400m

Correct and well balanced

A trait so frequently seen in his beautifully put together progeny which sold for up to \$90,000 at this year's Karaka Yearling Sale



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Tivaci colt from Fabulist

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Foal Gallery

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TOP (L) Savabeel filly from Emily Monk
TOP (R) Pins filly from Elizabeth Kay



ABOVE Pins filly from Cheryl
Moana Marie

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MARK'S MAIL

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What a week it's been for our champion resident sire Savabeel – fourteen winners and two Stakes winners in the space of just seven days.

It's great to have already had a Stakes winning two-year-old emerge from the group of yearlings we sold at Karaka earlier this year and we can't wait to kick off prep for Karaka 2019 on Monday.

Congratulations to Albert and the team at Go Racing/Marsh Racing for the Wellesley Stakes win with Savabeel two-year-old colt Exuberant last weekend. It's great to see so many Savabeels get up and running early for their connections and he looks to be a colt with a big future ahead of him.

Adding to Savabeel's stellar weekend was unbeaten three-year-old colt The Chosen One who was brilliant in the Zacinto Stakes at Riccarton. Congrats to the Dennis family who bred and co-own him with a syndicate of owners. The 2000 Guineas will be very interesting next weekend!

It was great to get another win on the board for the WS racing team this week. Queen Leonora is one of a number of horses we race in Australia and Danny O'Brien and his team have done a great job of preparing her for two wins from just a handful of starts. A big thanks to the team over there!

It was hard to split the foaling of the week as we had a quadrant of outstanding Tivaci foals arrive on

Wednesday night. All four of them are lovely, strong types and out of WS mares; Honolulu, Miracle Miss, Costume and Toss Up.

The pregnancy of the week goes to Bonneval who returned a positive 16-day test to I Am Invincible on Wednesday and my winner of the week is Rock 'n' Pop mare Rock 'n' Affair who won again on Saturday for her owners/breeders Howard and Pam Forbes. My tip of the week is an each way bet on Savvy Oak in the VRC Derby. He was huge last start and I expect to see him there at the finish.

I'm really looking forward to the weekend of racing – Derby Day at Flemington has a great line up and we'll be cheering on Shillelagh in the Gr.1 Empire Rose Stakes and Savvy Oak in the Gr.1 VRC Derby.

Good luck to Christopher and Susanna Grace – breeders and owners of Shillelagh and to First Light Racing and breeders Windsor Park Stud with Savvy Oak in the Derby.

**Cheers,
Mark**



GARRY'S CORNER

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Well, here we go again. Yep the annual NZ breeders have lost their way. We no longer have the capacity to provide horses for the great handicap event of the year.



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